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Transmitted herewith is a [] Amendment [XX] Request to Withdraw Final Rejection and Issue a Restriction Requirement

[] Small Entity Status: Applicant(s) claim small entity status. See 37 C.F.R. §1.27. in the above-identified application.

[XX] No additional fee is required.

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[XX] Conditional Petition for Extension of Time

If any extension of time for a response is required, applicant requests that this be considered a perition therefor.

[] It is heraby petitioned for an extension of time in accordance with 37 CFR 1.136(a). The appropriate fee required by 37 CFR 1.17 is calculated as shown below:

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REQUEST TO WITHDRAW FINAL REJECTION OF MAY 20, 2003, AND ISSUE A RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents U.S. Patent and Trademark Office 2011 South Clark Place Crystal Plaza Two, Lobby, Room 1B03 Arlington, VA 22202

Sir:

The present Continued Prosecution Application was filed on February 24, 2003. Paragraph 9 of the cover letter to the CPA stated:

> Applicants hereby expressly state for the record that they do not wish to necessarily be bound to the election which was made in parent application no. 09/218,277. Claims to non-elected inventions in the parent case appear in the present application and it is requested that, if the examiner still believes restriction to be necessary, a restriction requirement be repeated in the present application so that applicants will have another opportunity to decide which

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group of claims they wish to elect for prosecution in the present application. If a group of claims other than those elected in the parent case is elected in the present application, then the designation of the present application as a continuation will be changed to that as a division.

In the official action of May 20, 2003, in section 5, the examiner referred to the restriction requirement set forth in the paper of October 22, 2002, deemed the requirement proper and made it final. Thus, the examiner still believes that a restriction requirement is necessary. It is therefore apparent that the examiner overlooked the express statement in the CPA papers that applicant did not wish to be bound by the election requirement made in the parent application.

Accordingly, it was incumbent upon the examiner to issue a new restriction requirement to give applicant an opportunity to change the election if applicant deemed fit. In this regard, the examiner is invited to MPEP 201.06(d) in the section entitled "Prior Election", which states that an election made in the prior application carries over to the CPA only if the CPA does not contain an indication that a shift in election is desired. As the CPA indicated that applicant wished the opportunity to decide whether or not to shift the election and explicitly asked for a new restriction requirement, there was no justification to cause the previous election to carry over.

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Accordingly, withdrawal of the final rejection of May 20, 2003, and issuance of a restriction requirement is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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